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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE.

Subject: Enabling Legislation for the Central Intelligence Group.

Reference: (a) Draft entitled "A Bill for the Establishment of a National Intelligence Authority and a Central Intelligence Agency."

Enclosure: (A) Proposed redraft of Section 1.(a).  
(B) Proposed redraft of Section 2.

1. Based upon a study of reference (a), the Chief of Naval Intelligence desires to comment thereon as follows:

- (a) It is suggested that consideration be given to substituting Enclosure (A) for Section 1.(a) of the draft. It is believed that Enclosure (A) more effectively accomplishes the purpose of this section.
- (b) It is suggested that sub-paragraph (4) of Section 1.(b) be revised by substituting "effective and expeditious processing" for "evaluating, correlating, and interpretation".
- (c) It is suggested that consideration be given to substituting Enclosure (B) for Section 2 of the draft. Enclosure (B) conforms more closely to long established usage in ONI.
- (d) Section 3.(a) (1) deviates materially from the provisions of the Presidential directive pertaining to members of the N.I.A. It is suggested that it be revised to achieve the following:
  - (1) N.I.A. membership to consist of four: Secretaries of State, War and Navy and a fourth member appointed by the President.
  - (2) The Director of Central Intelligence to sit with the membership but to not have a vote.
  - (3) The Director of Central Intelligence, although appointed by the President, to be responsible to the N.I.A.

NAVY review(s) completed.

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DEFINITIONS

Sec.2. As used in this Act:

(1) The term "foreign intelligence" shall be construed to mean that intelligence produced from information and data about foreign governments, groups, activities or areas which reveals the meaning and significance of the situation or trend as affecting the United States, and which is needed for formulation, promulgation and effective execution of national policy of the United States.

(2) The word "information" shall be construed as meaning the facts, reports or data received or obtained before being processed into intelligence.

(3) The word "process" shall be construed as meaning the application of factors of evaluation, correlation, analysis, research and synthesis to the information received or obtained to determine its meaning and significance.

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ENCLOSURE (B)

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